

## ABSTRACT OF THE INVENTION

A system, for use with a broadband network, includes a network-metrics apparatus configured to obtain first metrics of performance of at least a portion of the broadband network, a data-processing apparatus coupled to the network-metrics apparatus and configured to combine a plurality of first metrics into a second metric of network performance indicative of a higher-level of network performance than indicated by the first metrics, and a data-arranging apparatus coupled to the data-processing apparatus and configured to arrange at least a portion of the first metrics and the second metric into a predetermined format.

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